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ABS PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE FREE ON THE WEB

From 1 July, the range of free content on the ABS web site was expanded to include:

- electronic publications (PDF and HTML based content);
- electronic 'publication tables', i.e. tables in spreadsheet or data-cube format which otherwise would have been included in a printed/PDF publication; and in particular
- electronic State/Territory 'publication tables' that complement national 'publication tables'.

The ABS is also considering adding to the free-on-the-web content by the end of the year. This would include most remaining standard priced products i.e. time series spreadsheets and other spreadsheets and data cubes. Further work is still to be completed before a final decision is made to confirm what additional data will be free.

Changes to subscription services

The existing free email notification service is the sole remaining subscription service for standard ABS products.

- Hard copy publication subscriptions are being phased out. Existing subscriptions will be allowed to run their normal course, but no new subscriptions or renewals will be accepted after 1 July and subscribers will have the option of cancelling their subscriptions, and receiving a proportionate refund.
- Email-based delivery of publications ceased on 30 June 2005. Current subscribers

are instead able to use the free email notification service, which advises when statistical and other releases are available for downloading from the ABS web site.

- E-commerce facilities on the ABS web site and the telephone enquiry service will continue to service one-off orders for hard copy publications.
- Separate arrangements to meet legal deposit and other library network related obligations are being made by the ABS Library.

AusStats

AusStats will continue as a service to subscribers in Tasmania, providing convenient access to ABS products (whether free or priced), via the Internet. However, with publications now available free on the ABS web site and further data products expected to be available free-of-charge from later this year, the ABS expects a number of subscribers will not reach the download-value-limit specified in their Agreement. In such cases, they will either receive a credit towards their next year's AusStats subscription, or a refund if they decide not to renew their AusStats subscription, based on the unused portion of their respective download-value-limits. All AusStats contracts and agreements are now being reviewed and subscribers will be contacted to clarify arrangements shortly.

Further information

National Information and Referral Service: phone 1300 135 070 or email client.services@abs.gov.au.

Subscriptions Service: phone 1300 366 323 or email subscriptions@abs.gov.au.

Free Publications on the Web - Frequently Asked Questions.

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SEEKING TASMANIAN STATE AND SUB-STATE DATA?

Have you looked in our web-based compendiums, Statistics - Tasmania and Regional Statistics, Tasmania ? These products bring together a wide range of ABS and non-ABS statistics, providing comprehensive, easily accessible information about Tasmania. The web medium enables us to update them on a regular, ongoing basis and provide links to related information.

Statistics - Tasmania (cat. no. 1384.6) - a comprehensive summary publication which provides a path to state statistics for the general or novice user. It brings together a range of ABS and non-ABS data to provide economic, social and demographic indicators for Tasmania. Included are indicators on population, labour force, education, crime, health, agriculture, housing and construction, transport, income and tourism. Commentary and feature articles complement the statistical data presented.

Regional Statistics, Tasmania (cat. no. 1362.6) - brings together a range of ABS and non-ABS data to provide economic, social and demographic indicators for Tasmania, its regions and local government areas. As well as enabling comparison between regions, some data are also presented as a time series. Included are indicators on population, labour force, welfare recipients, education, crime, health, agriculture, housing and construction, transport, income and tourism. Commentary and reference maps complement the statistical data presented.

If you have any queries or comments about these products please email katie.nicol@abs.gov.au or phone (03) 6222 5815.

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JUST RELEASED - TASMANIAN POPULATION DATA

Population by Age and Sex, Tasmania (cat. no. 3235.6.55.001) was released on 30 June 2005. This electronic publication contains the estimated resident population by age and sex for each Statistical Local Area, Statistical Subdivision and Statistical Division in Tasmania at 30 June 2004. Estimates for Local Government and other areas using Statistical Local Areas as a base can be derived from these estimates. Estimates for Postal Areas and for Population Census Collection Districts are available on request.

For any queries about this publication please phone (03) 6222 5853 or email lisa.farrell@abs.gov.au.

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REVAMPED TASMANIAN PAGE ON ABS WEB SITE

The Tasmanian page on the ABS web site has recently been revamped. The page provides improved access to Tasmanian statistical information, including statistical releases and links to non-ABS data sources.

For any queries or to provide feedback please phone (03) 6222 5815 or email katie.nicol@abs.gov.au.

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AUSSTATS TRAINING FOR STATE GOVERNMENT STAFF

AusStats is the ABS's web-based information service - providing the full range of ABS products online, updated daily. Officers from the ABS in Tasmania are currently running AusStats training for all interested state government staff. This offer is made in conjunction with the introduction of AusStats access across the whole of state government. This new arrangement will enable all staff with internet access to download ABS publications, spreadsheets and data cubes.

The training will introduce participants to AusStats. It explains what AusStats is, shows users how to access, navigate through and find publications, time series spreadsheets, datacubes and census data. A basic introduction to using SuperTABLE is also included. Sessions can be tailored to be a demonstration only or a demonstration followed by a hands-on session using exercises.

Nominations for the training are being coordinated through the Tasmanian Statistical Advisory Committee (TSAC) representatives in each agency. If you don't know who your TSAC representative is please email wendy.cannell@abs.gov.au or phone (03) 6222 5985.

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TASMANIA TOGETHER

The ABS is continuing its statistical support for Tasmania Together - the state's long term strategic planning process. Recent ABS activity has included collaboration with the Progress Board Secretariat on a process for identifying a sub-set of the Tasmania Together benchmarks for use in key indicator reports. This has involved sorting community issues into Issue Areas. The Issue Areas have some similarity with the progress dimensions used in Measures of Australia's Progress. It is anticipated that an early report in this format will be used in the Public Information Package currently under development for a five year review of Tasmania Together. The community consultation phase of the five year review will commence in August 2005.

For further information please contact Chris Carswell on (03) 6222 5848 or email chris.carswell@abs.gov.au.

NATIONAL REGIONAL PROFILE

The latest National Regional Profile (NRP) was released on the ABS web site on 29 March 2005. As with the earlier version, users can use the drill-down map facility or choose their selected region's name from a pick-list.

The most significant change in the NRP release is that it now has a five year time series (1999-2003, on ASGC 2003 boundaries), which will allow users to see changes in economic and social characteristics of their region during that time.

Other changes in the NRP release include:

- new data on sources of income, which combines Australian Taxation Office data and income support payments (cat. no. 6524.0, released in January 2005); and
- data on the value of agricultural production from the 2000-01 Agricultural Census (cat. no. 7121.0).

The National Regional Profile does not include data from the 2001 Census of Population and Housing, but there are links on the NRP web pages to download the Basic Community Profile for a region of interest. Information from the Census also remains available through the 2001 Census Page on the ABS website.

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NATIONAL DATA NETWORK

The National Data Network (NDN) is a national platform for acquiring, sharing and integrating data relevant to policy and research. This initiative promotes improved integration and consistent systems across government by facilitating greater collaboration between data providers and faster access to data. It provides a distributed library of data holdings relevant to policy analysis and research. Whilst data is held and controlled by their Custodian organisations, the NDN provides a complete catalogue of available data sources to allow users to easily search for data holdings which have been made available.

Conceptually, organisations can contribute to the NDN in a range of ways e.g.:

- publish data to the NDN;
- contribute to the development of protocols, such as those for metadata;
- develop additional statistical services to link into the network;
- provide administrative support for aspects of the network.

ABS is currently discussing with The Department of Premier and Cabinet, the possible involvement of the State Government in the demonstration phase of the NDN.

For more information email inquiries@nationaldatanetwork.org or go to www.nationaldatanetwork.org.

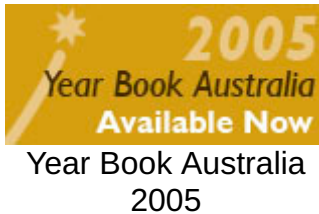
The attached fact sheet also provides further information.



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Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions

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YEAR BOOK AUSTRALIA 2005



The Year Book Australia 2005 is a comprehensive source of information about Australia. Now with CD, the latest issue is presented in one package as a special ABS centenary offer, making it great value for money. Order your copy online, or telephone 1300 135 070, and have your credit card details ready.

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Client Services

When you need to engage professional, timely and objective information or statistical consultancy services, first consider the range of services available from the Australian Bureau of Statistics. The ABS Hobart Office has a team of consultants available to answer all your information and statistical enquiries on a fee for service basis. Our consultants can assist you with the provision of data for the most recent period available or on a time series basis. They can provide tailored reports containing tables, commentary and maps which highlight the characteristics of a target market. To discuss your information needs contact the ABS Client Services or email mary.eagle@abs.gov.au.

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SELECTED RECENT RELEASES

4510.0 Recorded Crime - Victims, Australia, 2004 (released 23/06/2005)

This publication provides a breakdown of the offences by victim details (age of victim, sex of victim, relationship of offender to victim) and includes type of location, use of weapon, and outcome of police investigations statistics. Companion tables with detailed state/territory information are available separately.

5671.0 Lending Finance, Australia, Apr 2005 (released 10/06/2005)

Contains time series data on the value of monthly commitments for secured housing finance, other personal finance, commercial and lease finance. Data are provided at the National level. State level estimates, more detailed purpose estimates, and operating lease estimates are available through AusStats time series spreadsheets.

6202.0 Labour Force, Australia, May 2005 (released 09/06/2005)

Summary results of the monthly Labour Force Survey containing estimates of employed and unemployed persons classified by sex, full-time/part-time status, states and territories and some age groups; and persons not in the labour force.

5609.0 Housing Finance, Australia, Apr 2005 (released 08/06/2005)

Contains time series data for secured and unsecured housing finance commitments for owner occupation, commitments for the construction or purchase of dwellings for rent or resale, and loan outstandings to individuals/households for housing. Data are provided at state and national levels, with more detailed estimates available through AusStats time series spreadsheets.

3101.0 Australian Demographic Statistics, Dec 2004 (released 03/06/2005)

Quarterly estimates of total population for states, territories and Australia. Includes the most recent estimates of the population in five-year age groups; numbers (and some rates) of births, deaths, infant deaths, interstate and overseas movements. Quarterly and/or annual time series tables throughout. Also includes population projections and estimated resident households for states, territories and Australia.

1383.0.55.001 Measures of Australia's Progress: Summary Indicators, 2005 (released 20/04/2005)

This electronic product presents the key 15 dimensions of Australia's progress. It provides a national summary of the most important areas of progress, presenting them in a way which can be quickly understood by all Australians.

1383.0.55.002 Measures of Australia's Progress: At A Glance, 2005 (released 20/04/2005)

This electronic product presents an 'at a glance' summary of the 15 headline dimensions of Australia's progress.

3218.0 Regional Population Growth, Australia and New Zealand, 2003-04 (released 23/03/2005)

Highlights population growth or decline in Local Government Areas (LGAs) and Statistical Local Areas (SLAs) in Australia, and Territorial Authorities in New Zealand. Average annual growth rates for each LGA, SLA and Statistical District in Australia, and each Territorial Authority in New Zealand are included. Commentary is provided on population change at various geographic levels.

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FUTURE RELEASES

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